

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 572

By Watson

A RESOLUTION to recognize Melvin G. "Ted" Bryson on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding educators who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Melvin G. "Ted" Bryson, the principal at Oak Grove Elementary School in Bradley County, is one such estimable educator who evinces the greatest probity and excellence in all his endeavors; and

WHEREAS, after serving Bradley County Schools with acumen and alacrity for forty-two years as a teacher and principal, Mr. Bryson is taking a much deserved retirement after having been a positive influence on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, Ted Bryson has served as principal of Oak Grove Elementary since 1994, during which time the school has enjoyed great success and popularity, with nearly half of the students coming from other school zones; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bryson served previously as a history teacher at Bradley Central High School and as the Principal at Waterville Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as a principal, Ted Bryson said he has enjoyed giving children a chance to learn and be successful; and

WHEREAS, upon his retirement, Mr. Bryson plans to pursue other aspirations, such as working with student teachers at a local college, or possibly pursuing a political career; and

WHEREAS, his numerous accomplishments aside, Ted Bryson is most proud of the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Yvonne, and their three grown sons, Matt, Andy, and Tommy; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bryson exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to his students and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Ted Bryson has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his faculty, staff, students, and the community at large; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Melvin G. "Ted" Bryson our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.